

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 19, 20, 33, 34, 48-51, and 55-57 without prejudice to a possible divisional application. **Please also cancel** claims 1 and 58, **and amend** claims 2 and 3, as shown in the complete list of claims that is presented below.

Claim 1 (cancelled).

2. (currently amended) An image display system according to claim ~~[[1]]~~ 3, wherein said image display device displays an indication that first image data has been obtained since there has been an alteration to the second image data, along with displaying said first image data transferred thereto.

3. (currently amended) An image display system ~~according to claim 1,~~
comprising:

an original image holding device for holding first image data;

a computer communicating with said original image holding device, said computer comprising an image display device; and a storing device for storing second image data corresponding to said first image data and suitable for display by said image display device;

wherein said computer reads out said second image data from said storing device, displays on said image display device the second image data read out from said storing device, and detects alterations to said second image data read out from said storing device;

wherein, if an alternation to said second image data read out from said storing device is detected, said computer additionally requests said original image holding device to transfer first image data;

wherein said original image holding device transfers said first image data to said computer, in accordance with an original image data transfer request from said computer;

wherein said image display device displays the first image data transferred to said computer;

wherein said first image data comprises a plurality of regions;

wherein said computer detects alterations to the first image data for each of said regions, and if an alteration to the first image data is detected, then it sends alteration information relating to the region where the alteration was detected to said original image storing device, along with said original image data transfer request;

wherein said original image storing device sends first image data for the corresponding region to said computer, on the basis of said alteration information; and

wherein said image display device synthesizes the transferred first image data for said region with the second image data for the other regions.

4. (previously presented) An image display system according to claim 3, wherein said computer detects alterations to the second image data by means of the presence or absence of an electronic watermark.

5. (previously presented) An image display system according to claim 4, wherein said plurality of regions are blocks obtained by uniform division of the second image data; and said computer detects alterations for each of said blocks.

6. (original) An image display system according to claim 4, wherein said plurality of regions are description regions based on a document format database.

7. (previously presented) An image display system according to claim 6, wherein said computer sends co-ordinates information for said first image data stored in said storing device, as said alteration information, to said original image storing device; and said original image storing device reads out first image data for the corresponding region on the basis of said co-ordinates information, and transfers the read-out first image data to said computer.

Claims 8-58 (cancelled).